

# February 2013



National Park Service  
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New Orleans Jazz National  
Historic Park

Visitor's Center  
916 N. Peters Street  
New Orleans, LA 70116  
Tues-Sun 9am-5pm



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**Saturday, February 2nd**                      **11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**                      **(Perseverance Hall in Armstrong Park)**  
Kids are invited to bring their own instruments and join the *Storyville Stompers Brass Band* during our “Music for All Ages” program.

**1:00 – 2:30 p.m.**                      **(916 N. Peters St.)**

*Kombisele* and members of the *Guardians of the Flame* mardi gras indians showcase the connections between Western Africa and New Orleans music with this engaging program of drumming and singing.

**Wednesday, February 6th**                      **12:00 – 1:00 p.m.**                      **(Old U.S. Mint)**

Pianist *Dwight Fitch Jr.* performs a mix of jazz standards and Gospel music during our piano hour.

**Thursday, February 7th**                      **3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**                      **(Old U.S. Mint)**

Park Rangers perform a program highlighting the role of blues music in jazz.

**Wednesday, February 13th**                      **12:00 – 1:00 p.m.**                      **(Old U.S. Mint)**

Pianist *Dwight Fitch Jr.* performs a mix of jazz standards and Gospel music during our piano hour.

**Thursday, February 14th**                      **3:00 – 4:00 p.m.**                      **(Old U.S. Mint)**

Catch a sneak peak of the grammy winning New Orleans Jazz Orchestra during an hour long open rehearsal as they prepare for their evening concert: *A Hometown Valentine's Concert featuring the Music of Duke Ellington & Jazz Ballads.*

**Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**                      **2:00 – 3:00 p.m.**                      **(French Market food demo stage)**

Join JAZZ park rangers and pianist *Richard Scott* as they accompany chefs from the World Famous N'Awlins Spice Emporium. This music and cooking demonstration will show the similarities between making an authentic Creole gumbo and the development of jazz music in New Orleans.

**3:00 – 4:00 p.m.**                      **(Old U.S. Mint)**

Jazz guitar legend *Gene Bertoncini* joins Louisiana guitarist *Dan Sumner* and NYC bassist *Ron Kadish* for an afternoon concert of American popular songs and Jazz standards.

**Saturday, February 16th**

**11:00 – 11:45 a.m. (916 N. Peters St.) & 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. (Old U.S. Mint)**

Dr. Nancy Dawson leads her African American historical theatre group, *Stories From Da Dirt*, in 2 separate performances that combine stories from the Underground Railroad, women in the Civil War, and the performance of African American spirituals.

**Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**

**3:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**(Old U.S. Mint)**

Join *Aaron Nigel Smith* and an all-star cast of New Orleans musicians for a special concert designed to get kids moving! In 2002, Aaron founded FUNdamentals of Music and Movement, an arts program which is now the program of choice to over 100 early education centers in Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York, and Boston. His fun, inspired, and lively show is guaranteed to get the audience off their feet.

Aaron's debut CD release *Let's Pretend* received NAPPA and IPARENTING MEDIA awards and his collaboration with Ziggy Marley on *B is for Bob*, a Bob Marley Children's CD was also highly praised. Aaron is also on the cast of the PBS Kids Emmy Award winning show *Between the Lions*. His newest release, *Everyone Loves to Dance* received Parent's Choice and NAPPA Awards. Aaron is also featured on several new releases including Buckwheat Zydeco's *Bayou Boogie* and the 2012 Parents Choice Award winning *Welcome to the Village*, featuring the voices of more than 300 children from New York, Los Angeles, Portland and the Cura Rotary Home near Nairobi, Kenya.

During his only scheduled appearance in New Orleans, Aaron will debut the performance of the new hit song about the life cycle of Salmon in “Run Fish Run” from the critically acclaimed recent CD release by the National Park Service, *Songs for Junior Rangers*.

**Wednesday, February 20th**

**12:00 – 1:00 p.m.**

**(Old U.S. Mint)**

Pianist *Dwight Fitch Jr.* performs a mix of jazz standards and Gospel music during our piano hour.

**Thursday, February 21st**

**3:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**(Old U.S. Mint)**

Rangers *Matt Hampsey* and *Bruce Barnes* perform a program focusing on the African roots of jazz.

**Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**2:00 – 3:00 p.m.**

**(Old U.S. Mint)**

Fred Kasten interviews the legendary trumpeter *Wendell Brunious* as part of his “Talkin’ Jazz” series, followed by an audience question and answer session.

**Saturday, February 23rd**

**12:30 – 3:00 p.m. (Perseverance Hall in Armstrong Park)**

In partnership with the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Foundation, a free brass band clinic will be held at Perseverance Hall featuring *Dr. Michael White* and the *Stooges Brass Band*. This event is intended as a basic primer to brass band history and style for band directors and students who intend to participate in the Jazz & Heritage Foundation’s *Class Got Brass* competition, but is also free and open to the general public.

**2:00 – 3:30 p.m.**

**(Old U.S. Mint)**

Drummer *Sam Shahin* leads an 8 piece band in a multimedia “*Tribute to Max Roach*” concert and at the Mint. This concert will also chronicle the role that jazz played in the Civil Rights Movement including a duet that Max Roach wrote with a recording of Martin Luther King Jr.’s “I Have a Dream” speech.

**Wednesday, February 27th**

**12:00 – 1:00 p.m.**

**(Old U.S. Mint)**

Pianist *Dwight Fitch Jr.* performs a mix of jazz standards and Gospel music during our piano hour.

**Thursday, February 28th**

**3:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

**(Old U.S. Mint)**

Rangers *Bruce Barnes* and *Matt Hampsey* perform a jazz roots program focusing on the role of African American religious music in New Orleans jazz.

**\*Join us for a 1 hour jazz documentary every Thursday in January at 916 North Peters Street in the French Market at 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.**